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MEMORANDUM FOR The Military Personnel Management Officers of all States, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, Guam, and the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: Retention Beyond Mandatory Removal Date (MRD) of Army National Guard Chaplains (ARNG-HRH Policy 11-047)

1. References:

- a. Title 10 USC § 14703.
 - b. Memorandum, SAMR, subject: Request for Delegation of Authority to Grant Mandatory Removal Date (MRD) Extensions to Army National Guard (ARNG) Chaplains beyond the Age of 60, 6 May 2011.
 - c. NGR 635-100, Termination of Appointment and Withdrawal Of Federal Recognition, 8 September 1978.
2. This policy provides interim guidance for retention beyond MRD requests for ARNG Chaplains. This policy applies to Chaplains assigned to the Chaplain Corps in the Army National Guard serving in an active status.
3. On 6 May 2011, the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Manpower & Reserve Affairs delegated to the Army Chief of Chaplains the authority to approve the retention of ARNG Chaplains.
4. States will submit requests to retain Chaplains beyond MRD by electronic mail to ARNG-HRH-O@ng.army.mil. ARNG-HRH will staff requests through ARNG-CSO-CH to the Army Chief of Chaplains for final action.
5. States are advised to submit requests at least six months prior to the Chaplain's current MRD. Requests must be submitted IAW the enclosed Retention Beyond Mandatory Removal Date (MRD) Checklist.
6. IAW reference 1a, a Chaplain may not be retained in active status later than the date on which the officer becomes 68 years of age.

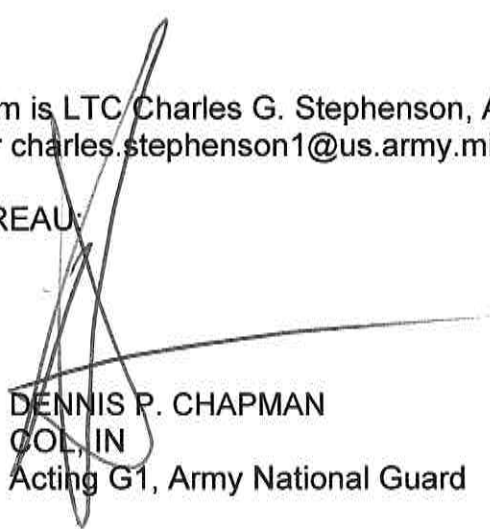
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